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# ABERAYRON RURAL DISTRICT.

To the Members of the Aberayron Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,—

We beg to submit our Annual Report for the year ending 31st December, 1937, for the Rural District of Aberayron.

## STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

| | |
|---|---|
| Area (in acres) ... | 97,810 |
| Population Census (1931) | 10,125 |
| Estimated Population (Mid-year 1937) | 9,235 |
| Number of inhabited houses (end of 1937) according to Rate Books | 3,175 |
| Rateable Value ... | £15,852 |
| Sum represented by a penny rate ... | £69/19/11.67 |

## EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR.

| | | Total. | M. | F. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Live Births | Legitimate ... | 110 | 54 | 56 | Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population 13.42 |
| | Illegitimate ... | 14 | 8 | 6 | |
| Still Births ... | | 8 | 5 | 3 | Rate per 1000 total (live and still) births : 60.60 |
| Deaths ... | | 138 | 59 | 79 | Death Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population 14.94 |

Deaths from puerperal causes (Headings 29 and 30 of the Registrar-General's Short List) :—

| | Deaths | Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births. |
|---|---|---|
| No. 29 Puerperal sepsis ... ... | Nil. | Nil. |
| No. 30 Other puerperal causes ... | Nil. | Nil. |
| Total ... ... ... ... ... | Nil. | Nil. |

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age :
All infants per 1000 live births, 88.69.
Legitimate infants per 1000 legitimate live births, 90.90.
Illegitimate infants per 1000 illegitimate live births, 71.44.
Deaths from Measles (all ages) : Nil.
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages) : Nil.
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) : 2.
Particulars of any unusual or excessive mortality during the year which has received or required comment : None.

## GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

1. Public Health Officers of the Authority :
   (a) *Medical*—Two part time Medical Officers of Health.
   (b) *Others*—Two part time Sanitary Inspectors.
   One part time Meat Inspector who is a Member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.

2. Nursing in the Home. Nature of the arrangements in the Area.
   (a) *General*—There are District Nurses in Llanarth, Felinfach, Llanllwch-haiarn, Llanwenog and Cross Inn (Llanon). Other parts of the rural district are partly served by the Nurses of New Quay Urban and Aberayron Urban Districts, the Nurses from Rhydlewis and Llangranog serve parts adjoining the Llandyssul Rural District, and the Nurses from the adjoining district of Lampeter Borough do good work around the Borough.
   (b) *Infectious Diseases*—None.

3. Midwives :
   Number of Midwives practising in the area—8. The Council do not employ or subsidise Midwives practising in the District.

4. National Health Insurance:
   Administered by the Cardiganshire Insurance Committee.

5. Poor Law Out Relief :
   Administered by the Cardiganshire Public Assistance Committee.

6. Laboratory Facilities :
   The Laboratory work is done by the Clinical Research Association, The Beck Laboratory, Swansea, and the Agricultural Department of the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, and also by the Medical Officer of Health for the Lampeter area.

7. Legislation in Force :
   Infectious Diseases (Prevention) Act 1890, Section 4.
   Public Health Acts (Amendment Act) 1890, Part III.
   Bye Laws relating to Slaughter Houses.
   Bye Laws relating to New Buildings.

8. Hospitals :
   The Cottage Hospital, Aberayron, under the Control of the Public Health Committee of the Cardigan County Council ; Number of Beds—12.
   Cardiganshire General Infirmary, Aberystwyth.
   Facilities are available at the above Hospitals for Operative Surgery and X-Ray. A private installation is also in possession of the Medical Officer of Health for the Lampeter area.

9. Maternity and Nursing Homes : None. A new Maternity Home is now available at Aberystwyth and serves the district.

10. Maternal Mortality : None.

11. Institutional Provision for Unmarried Mothers, Illegitimate Infants and Homeless Children : None.

12. Institutional Provision, if any, for the care of Mental Defectives : None.

13. Ambulance Facilities :

(*a*) For infectious cases—None.
(*b*) For non-infectious and accident cases—None.

14. Clinics and Treatment Centres :

*Out patients departments (under control of the Local Authority)*—Administered by County Council.

*Maternity and Child Welfare Centres*—Administered by County Council.

*Ante-natal Clinics*—Administered by County Council.

*School Clinics*—Administered by County Council.

*Orthopaedic Clinics*—Administered by County Council.

*Tuberculosis Dispensaries*—None provided by this Council. The Tuberculosis Physician of the Welsh Memorial visits the district on two days every month.

*Treatment Centres for Venereal Diseases*—None provided by this Council. Treatment is provided and arranged by the County Council at Swansea Hospital.

*Other Clinics and Day Nurseries*—None.

## SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Water : The following villages are now supplied with satisfactory water supplies, viz., Cwmsychpant, Llanwnen, Cwrtnewydd, Llanon, Talgarreg, Highmead Terrace, Alltyplacca and Llanfair Clydogau. Water Schemes for supplying the Villages of Pencae, Llanarth, Llwyncelyn, Ffosyffin, Gilfachyrheda, Cnwcylili, Ceibach, Mydroilyn, Temple Bar, Felinfach, Ystrad, Talsarn, Cilcennin, Pennant, Aberarth, and Ciliau Aeron are in course of construction.

Rivers and Streams : No action was found necessary.

Drainage and Sewerage : No action taken.

Closet Accommodation :

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Water Closets (fresh water, cistern flushed) | 82 |
| Number of Midden Privies (Dry Closets with fixed receptacles) | 220 |
| Number of Pail Closets with moveable receptacles | 2550 |
| Number of Earth Closets | 31 |

The new form of Earth Closet is being installed in some of the Schools and is also being adopted in some of the dwelling houses.

Scavenging : There is no system of scavenging within the district.

Sanitary Inspection of Area :

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Inspections of Dwelling Houses | 133 |
| Number of Inspections of Dairies and Cowsheds | 254 |
| Number of Inspections of Milk Carts | 24 |
| Number of Inspections of Workshops and Bakehouses | 43 |
| Number of Inspections of Slaughter Houses | 148 |
| Number of Inspections of Meat Shops and Meat Carts | 38 |
| Number of Inspections of Schools | 52 |
| Number of Houses visited upon Notification of Infectious Diseases | 14 |
| Number of Houses disinfected after Infectious Diseases | 13 |

Notices Served under the Public Health Acts :

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Informal Notices served | 52 |
| Number of Informal Notices complied with | 40 |
| Number of Statutory Notices served | — |
| Number of Statutory Notices complied with | — |
| Number of Prosecutions | — |

New Buildings :

The following is a summary of the Plans of New Houses approved by you and of the inspections made by the Buildings Inspector during the year—

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Plans of New Buildings approved of | 8 |
| Number of Plans of Alterations and Additions to Buildings approved of | 7 |
| Number of Applications for connecting premises to Council's Water Mains approved of | 19 |
| Number of Inspections of Dampcourses | 9 |
| Number of Inspections of concrete underneath floors | 9 |
| Number of Inspections of Drains | 12 |
| Number of Inspections on completion | 9 |
| Number of Inspections of House Water Services from Water Mains | 15 |

Smoke Abatement : None.

Premises and Occupations which can be controlled by Byelaws or Regulations : None.

Schools : Should the schemes for water supplies prepared for the various villages be carried out, the Schools would be supplied with water under these schemes.

Rag Flocks Act 1911 and 1928 : No action.

## HOUSING.

1. Inspection of Dwelling Houses during the Year :
   1. (*a*) Total number of Dwelling Houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 20
      (*b*) Number of Inspections made for the purpose ... ... ... ... ... 20
   2. (*a*) Number of Dwelling Houses (included under sub-head (1) above which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 ... ... ... ... 20
      (*b*) Number of Inspections made for the purpose ... ... ... ... ... 20
   3. Number of Dwelling Houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... —
   4. Number of Dwelling Houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation ... ... ... ... 3

2. Remedy of Defects during the Year without Service of Formal Notices :

   Number of Dwelling Houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 3

3. Action under Statutory Powers during the Year :

   A.—Proceedings under Sections 17, 18 and 23 of Housing Act 1930 :
   (1) Number of Dwelling Houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs... ... —
   (2) Number of Dwelling Houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :
   (*a*) By Owners ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... —
   (*b*) By Local Authority in default of Owners ... ... ... ... ... —

   B.—Proceedings under Public Health Acts :
   (1) Number of Dwelling Houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... —
   (2) Number of Dwelling Houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :
   (*a*) By Owners ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... —
   (*b*) By Local Authority in default of Owners ... ... ... ... ... —

   C.—Proceedings under Sections 19 and 21 of Housing Act 1930 :
   (1) Number of Dwelling Houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made ... ... —
   (2) Number of Dwelling Houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders ... ... ... —

   D.—Proceedings under Section 20 of Housing Act 1930 :
   (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made —
   (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit ... ... ... ... —

4. Housing Act 1935.—Overcrowding.
   (*a*) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year ... ... ... ... 59
   (ii) Number of families dwelling therein ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 59
   (iii) Number of persons dwelling therein ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 283
   (*b*) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year ... ... ... ... —
   (*c*) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year ... ... ... ... —
   (ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases ... ... ... ... ... ... —
   (*d*) Particulars of any cases in which dwellinghouses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding.—Nil.

## INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

(a) Milk Supply. (Action taken with regard to Milk, including Inspection of Farms and Dairies).—There are 91 persons registered under the Milk and Dairies Order 1926. Of these, 70 are Producers under the Accredited Milk Producers' Scheme, 9 Producers from Attested Herds, and one licensed to produce Grade A (T.T.) Milk. 254 Inspections of Cowsheds and 24 Inspections of Retailing Milk Carts were made during the year.

(i) *Examination of Samples for Bacterial Count.*—Five samples of Grade A (T.T.) Milk were procured and submitted for Bacteriological examination.

The following is the Report received on the examination of the samples.

GRADE A (T.T.) MILK.

| Date sample was taken. | Methylene Blue Test | Coliform Test. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | State period before decolourisation (in hours) ; or insert S (satisfactory) as the case may be. | State whether Coliform Organisms were present in 1/100 ml. in 0, 1, 2, or 3 tubes. | Place S against Samples which satisfied the coliform test. |
| 22nd February, 1937 | S | 0 | S |
| 24th May, 1937 | S | 0 | S |
| 8th June, 1937 | S | 0 | S |
| 20th July, 1937 | 4 | 1 | S |
| 25th August, 1937 | S | 1 | S |

## ACCREDITED MILK PRODUCERS SCHEME.

167 Samples of Milk were procured under the Accredited Milk Producers Scheme and submitted to the Dairy Bacteriologist, Agricultural Department, Aberystwyth, for Bacteriological Examination. The following are the reports submitted on the examination of the Samples.

| No. in Register. | Date Sample was taken | Methylene Blue Test | Coliform Test. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | State period before decolourisation (in hours): or insert S (satisfactory) as the case may be. | State whether Coliform Organisms were present in 1/100 ml. in 0, 1, 2, or 3 tubes. | Place S against Samples which satisfied the coliform test. |
| A 1 | 15—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 21—5—37 | S | 1 | S |
| | 30—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 1 | 1—2—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 24—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 2 | 14—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 20—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 22—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 3 | 20—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 21—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 4 | 20—5—37 | S | 1 | S |
| | 21—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 5 | 25—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 27—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 21—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 6 | 27—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 27—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 7 | 27—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 27—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 28—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 8 | 25—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 28—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 26—10—37 | S | 1 | S |
| D 9 | 25—5—37 | S | 1 | S |
| | 26—10—37 | S | 3 | ... |
| D 10 | 22—2—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 25—5—37 | S | 3 | ... |
| | 26—10—37 | S | 3 | ... |
| D 11 | 15—1—37 | S | 1 | S |
| | 19—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 25—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 12 | 31—5—37 | 2½ | 0 | S |
| | 5—11—37 | S | 3 | ... |
| D 13 | 13—12—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 14 | 20—12—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 15 | 20—12—37 | S | 0 | S |
| D 16 | 19—7—37 | 3½ | 0 | S |
| | 18—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| E 1 | 27—5—37 | 3½ | 0 | S |
| | 28—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| E 2 | 28—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 26—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 27—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| E 3 | 14—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 20—5—37 | 1½ | 3 | ... |
| | 21—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| E 4 | 14—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 20—5—37 | S | 2 | ... |
| | 28—10—37 | S | 1 | S |
| E 5 | 27—5—37 | 4½ | 3 | ... |
| | 27—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| E 6 | 23—2—37 | S | 3 | ... |
| | 21—5—37 | S | 1 | S |

| No. in Register. | Date sample was taken. | Methylene Blue Test | Coliform Test. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | State period before decolourisation (in hours) : or insert S (satisfactory) as the case may be. | State whether Coliform Organisms were present in 1/100 ml. in 0, 1, 2, or 3 tubes. | Place S against Samples which satisfied the coliform test. |
| E 7 | 29—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 24—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 26—10—37 | S | 1 | S |
| E 8 | 29—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 24—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 26—10—37 | S | 2 | ... |
| E 9 | 28—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 26—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 27—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| E 10 | 14—12—37 | S | 0 | S |
| G 1 | 26—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 28—10—37 | S | 1 | S |
| H 1 | 8—3—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 19—5—37 | S | 2 | ... |
| | 22—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| J 1 | 17—12—37 | S | 0 | S |
| J 2 | 14—1—37 | 5½ | 0 | S |
| | 19—5—37 | 2½ | 0 | S |
| | 22—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| J 3 | 14—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 19—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 22—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| J 4 | 14—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 20—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 22—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| J 5 | 28—5—37 | 3½ | 0 | S |
| | 26—10—37 | S | 2 | ... |
| J 6 | 26—5—37 | 2½ | 3 | ... |
| | 25—10—37 | 3 | 3 | ... |
| J 7 | 26—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 29—10—37 | 2½ | 0 | S |
| J 8 | 25—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| J 9 | 21—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 25—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| J 10 | 24—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 26—10—37 | S | 2 | ... |
| J 11 | 26—2—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 31—5—37 | 4½ | 1 | S |
| | 2—11—37 | S | 0 | S |
| J 12 | 25—2—37 | S | 3 | ... |
| | 27—5—37 | 1 | 1 | S |
| | 27—10—37 | 2 | 2 | ... |
| J 13 | 23—2—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 24—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 26—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| J 14 | 29—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 21—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 27—10—37 | S | 2 | ... |
| J 15 | 28—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 26—5—37 | 2½ | 3 | ... |
| | 27—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| J 16 | 28—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 26—5—37 | 4½ | 0 | S |
| | 27—10—37 | S | 3 | ... |
| J 17 | 23—8—37 | 2 | 3 | ... |
| | 21—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| J 20 | 25—10—37 | S | 1 | S |

| No. in Register. | Date sample was taken. | Methylene Blue Test | Coliform Test. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | State period before decolourisation (in hours); or insert S (satisfactory) as the case may be. | State whether Coliform Organisms were present in 1/100 ml. in 0, 1, 2, or 3 tubes. | Place S against Samples which satisfied the coliform test. |
| L 1 | 1—2—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 19—5—37 | 4 | 1 | S |
| | 22—10—37 | S | 3 | ... |
| L 2 | 21—5—37 | 4½ | 1 | S |
| | 30—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| L 3 | 26—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 28—10—37 | 3½ | 2 | ... |
| L 4 | 15—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 19—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| M 1 | 13—12—37 | S | 1 | S |
| M 2 | 14—12—37 | S | 0 | S |
| M 4 | 10—3—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 19—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 22—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| M 5 | 28—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 21—5—37 | S | 3 | ... |
| | 25—10—37 | 3 | 3 | ... |
| O 1 | 15—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 19—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 25—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| O 2 | 15—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 19—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 25—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| R 1 | 30—8—37 | 4½ | 2 | ... |
| | —— | ½ | 0 | S |
| | 29—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| R 2 | 27—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 27—5—37 | 2½ | 3 | ... |
| | 28—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| R 3 | 27—1—37 | S | 1 | S |
| | 27—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 28—10—37 | S | 1 | S |
| R 4 | 26—2—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 31—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 2—11—37 | S | 1 | S |
| R 5 | 29—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 24—5—37 | 4½ | 3 | ... |
| | 1—11—37 | S | 0 | S |
| R 6 | 26—2—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 31—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 1—11—37 | S | 0 | S |
| S 1 | 13—12—37 | S | 1 | S |
| T 1 | 1—2—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 24—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 21—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| T 2 | 25—1—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 28—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 26—10—37 | S | 0 | S |
| T 3 | 28—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 26—10—37 | S | 2 | ... |
| T 4 | 31—5—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 5—11—37 | S | 3 | ... |
| T 5 | 26—2—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 31—5—37 | 4½ | 0 | S |
| | 2—11—37 | S | 0 | S |
| W 1 | 10—6—37 | S | 0 | S |
| | 17—12—37 | S | 0 | S |

*Note*—To satisfy the Methylene Blue Test samples should not be decolourised at the end of 4½ hours during "summer" (1st May to the 31st October) and 5½ hours in "winter" (1st November to the 30th April).

Milk is regarded as satisfactory in respect of the Coliform Test if two out of the three tubes are found to be free from acid and gas after 48 hours' incubation at 37° C.

(ii) *Examination for Tubercle Bacilli.*—No Samples of Milk were procured for examination for the presence of Bovine Tuberculosis.

Administration of Milk and Dairies Order 1926.—This order is being administered.

Administration of Milk (Special Designations) Order 1923.—Samples of Milk are taken by this Council from one person in the district licensed to produce and sell Grade A (T.T.) Milk and from persons registered under the Accredited Milk Producers Scheme.

(b) Meat and other foods.

(i) *Action taken with regard to the Inspection of Meat* :—A systematic inspection of Meat is carried out by the Meat Inspectors. The Butchers and Purveyors of Meat as well as those who do occasional slaughtering, including farmers, forward to the Meat Inspectors the necessary notices previous to slaughtering on printed postcards specially provided by the Council.

Carcases Inspected and Condemned.

| | Cattle | Calves | Sheep and Lambs | Pigs |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number killed (if known) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Number inspected ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 73 | 10 | 298 | 15 |
| All Diseases except Tuberculosis— | | | | |
| Whole carcases condemned... ... ... ... ... ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis ... ... ... ... ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Tubesculosis only— | | | | |
| Whole carcases condemned... ... ... ... ... ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |

The Beef was of a good quality throughout.

All the Mutton was of a good quality, and no bad livers due to flukes were found.

(ii) *Inspection of Slaughter Houses.*—The number of Registered Slaughter Houses in the district is 18. 148 Visits of Inspection were made during the year. There is no public slaughter house in the district.

(iii) *Inspection of Shops, Stalls and Vehicles.*—Number of Inspections of Meat Shops and of Retailing Meat Carts, 38.

(c) Adulteration. Action taken under :—

Food and Drugs (Adulteration) Act 1928.—None.

The Artificial Cream Act 1929.—None.

Public Health (Condensed Milk) Regulations 1923 and 1927.—None.

Public Health (Dried Milk) Regulations 1923 and 1927.—None.

Public Health (Preservatives, etc. in Food) Regulations 1925-1927.—None.

(d) Chemical and Bacteriological Examination of Food :

The only article of Food examined Chemically or Bacteriologically by the Council during the year was Milk.

(e) Nutrition :

As a result of propaganda for better food there has been a marked improvement in nutrition. The milk consumption has shown a marked increase and nearly all the Schools prepare mid-day meals for the children

## PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

General :

No cases of Malaria, Dysentry, or Trench Fever were notified during the year.

Diphtheria Antitoxin is supplied free to Medical Practitioners by the Council.

Examination of Pathological and Bacteriological specimens are made by the Clinical Research Association at the expense of the Council.

No use has been made of Schick and Dick Tests, nor of the recently developed artificial methods of immunization against these diseases.

No Primary Vaccination or Re-Vaccination were performed by us under the Public Health (Small Pox Prevention) Regulations, 1917.

Reports of non-notifiable Infectious Diseases are sent to us by the Headteachers of the Schools, such as Impetigo, Influenza, Whooping Cough, Vermin, etc. These children are excluded from School until free from infection.

There were no cases of Anthrax or Rabies.

There are no facilities provided by the Council for the cleansing and disinfection of verminous persons and their belongings.

All houses at which Infectious Diseases were notified were visited by the Sanitary Inspectors and disinfected.

## NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR 1937.

| Disease. | Analysis of Total Cases notified. | | | | | | | | | | | | | Total Cases notified. | Cases admitted to Hospital. | Total Deaths. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Under 1 year | 1–2 years | 2–3 years | 3–4 years | 4–5 years | 5–10 years | 10–15 years | 15–20 years | 20–25 years | 25–35 years | 35–45 years | 45–65 years | 65 and over | | | |
| Small Pox | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Scarlet Fever | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... |
| Diphtheria | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... |
| Puerperal Fever | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Puerperal Pyrexia | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Pneumonia | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | 10 |
| Other diseases generally notifiable :— | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Measles | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... |
| Erysipelas | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Other diseases notifiable locally :— | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chicken Pox | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |

PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS :

No action was taken by the Council under Section 66 of the Public Health Amendment Act 1925 for the prevention of blindness or for the treatment of persons suffering from any disease or injury to the eye.

| Cases. | | | Vision Unimpaired. | Vision Impaired. | Total Blindness. | Deaths. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Notified. | Treated. | | | | | |
| | At Home. | In Hospital. | | | | |
| Nil. | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. |

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| Age Periods. | New Cases. | | | | Deaths. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Pulmonary. | | Non-Pulmonary. | | Pulmonary. | | Non-Pulmonary. | |
| | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. |
| 0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 5 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 15 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... |
| 25 | 1 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... |
| 35 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... |
| 45 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 55 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 65 and upwards | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... |
| Totals | 1 | 7 | ... | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | ... |

ACTION TAKEN UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS 1925.

No Action was taken under Article 5 of the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations 1925.

9 cases of Tuberculosis were notified during the year.

All cases of deaths from Tuberculosis, had been previously notified.

UNDER SECTION 62 OF PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1925.

No action was taken.

We are,

Your obedient Servants,

EVAN EVANS,
ERNEST LL. DAVIES,
**Medical Officers of Health.**